PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) Docket No. (Large Entity) **RDID 01056 US** In Re Application Of: Effenhauser, Carlo et al. Serial No. Filing Date Examiner Group Art Unit 09/943,080 August 30, 2001 **TBA** 1743 SYSTEM FOR WITHDRAWING SMALL AMOUNTS OF BODY FLUID DEC 1 1 2003 TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action June 6, 2003 above-identified application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): ☐ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months June 6, 2003 from: until: December 6, 2003 Date Date The fee for the extension of time is \$950 and is to be paid as follows: A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-2958 Dated: December 5, 2003

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